

# Cannabis Advisory Committee Meeting

Thursday, September 8, 2022, 10 A.M.

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#### **Committee Administration**

- 1. Oath of Office
- 2. Call to order and roll call
- 3. Welcome (Discussion item) Nicole Elliott, Department of Cannabis Control (DCC) Director
- 4. Member introduction (*Discussion item*)
- 5. Election of Chair and Vice Chair (*Discussion and possible action*)
- 6. Review and possible approval of proposed CAC bylaws (*Discussion and possible action*)
- 7. Newly-elected CAC Chair

#### **General Public Comment**

8. Public comment for items not on the agenda (Public comment period)

#### **Department Updates and Presentations**

- 9. Presentation: Overview of DCC (*Discussion item*) Rasha Salama, DCC Chief Deputy Director
- 10. Presentation: Looking ahead to 2023 (*Discussion item*) Christina Dempsey, DCC Deputy Director of Policy & Research

#### **Items for Discussion and Possible Recommendation**

- 11. Local Jurisdiction Retail Access Grant Program (*Discussion and possible action*)
  - a. DCC staff overview of the program
  - b. CAC discussion and recommendations

#### **Other Business**

- 12. Recommendations for future agenda items (*Discussion item*)
- 13. Adjournment

### Today's Agenda

Agenda items may be taken out of order. A lunch break or recess may be taken at times determined by the CAC members. Times and speakers are subject to change.

The CAC cannot discuss or take action on any matter raised during public comment that is not included on the agenda, pursuant to Government Code sections 11125 and 11125.7(a), but the topic may be considered during a future meeting.

## Oath of Office

# Call to Order/Roll Call

## Welcome

Nicole Elliott, DCC Director



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## **Member Introduction**

# Election of Chair and Vice Chair



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# Election of Chair and Vice Chair

# **Proposed CAC Bylaws**



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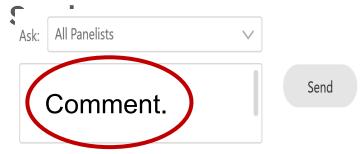
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# Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda



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## Overview of DCC

Rasha Salama, DCC Deputy Director

## **Cannabis Consolidation**





Department of **Cannabis Control** 

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# Vision, Mission, Values

#### **Vision**

California has a safe, sustainable and equitable cannabis market that serves as an example for the world.

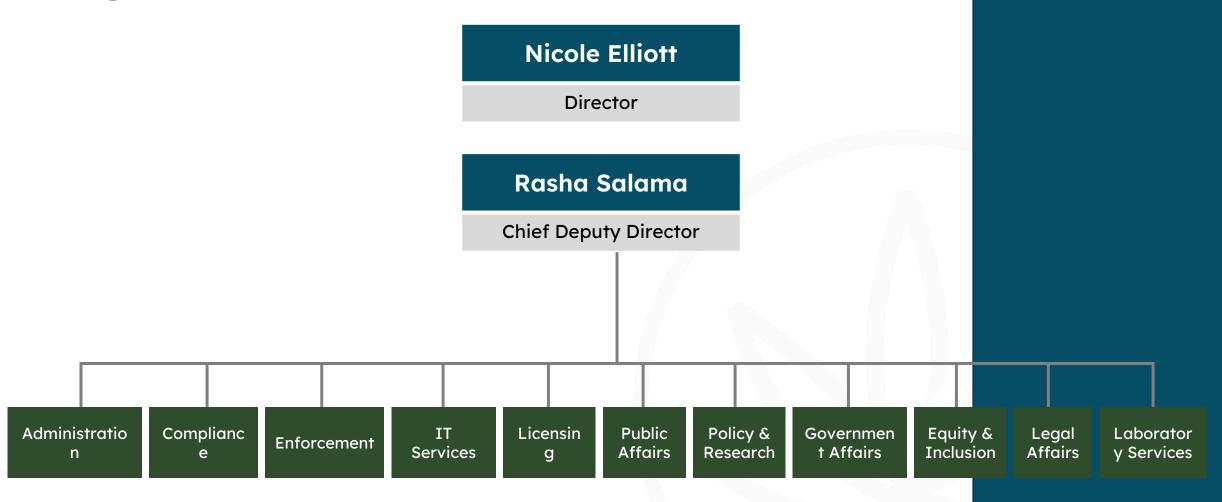
#### **Mission**

Through innovative policies and effective implementation, the Department of Cannabis Control advances and facilitates a well-regulated, legal market that benefits all Californians.

#### **Values**

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# Organizational Structure



# Department Initiatives

#### **Regulatory Changes:**

- Consolidation of three regulations into one
- Fee waivers and deferrals for equity businesses
- Implementation of large cultivation license type
- Standardized method for cannabinoid testing

Support for tax reform efforts by the Legislature

Transitioning from provisional licenses into annuals, including \$100 million to support local governments

Local, state and federal partnerships to address illicit market activity

# Thank you





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# Looking Ahead to 2023

Christina Dempsey, DCC Deputy Director of Policy & Research

## **Late 2022**

Completion of four regulatory rulemaking processes

Submission of hemp report to the Legislature

Updates to capture mandated delivery information in Track and Trace

Release of RFP for \$20 million in grant funding to support cannabis research by California public universities

Implementation of renewable energy requirements for indoor and mixed light tier 2 cultivation

# Looking ahead to 2023

Regulatory reforms for cultivation, including to support California's craft and legacy farmers

Early planning for transition to a single licensing system

Initial conversations about the state's licensing structure can better provide opportunity to small and equity operators

## **CAC Contributions**

Sharing input and unique perspectives during discussion Consideration of implications for stakeholders, shortand long-term effects of potential policy changes Utilization of:

- Subcommittees focused on specific topics
- Discussion topics among the full committee

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# Local Jurisdiction Retail Access Grant Program

#### **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. What should local jurisdictions be required to include in the plan for permitting cannabis retail that is submitted with the grant application?
- 2. How can the additional equity program funding be constructed to incentive inclusion of meaningful support and opportunities in local retail permitting programs for individuals affected by the War on Drugs?
- 3. Should local jurisdictions be eligible for funding if they will permit only medicinal cannabis retail and will not permit adult-use retail?
- 4. Should any specific requirements be imposed on the local permitting program that will be developed using grant funding?
- 5. What criteria should be used to evaluate whether a local jurisdiction has failed to demonstrate progress toward permitting retail businesses for purposes of recapturing grant funds?

#### Agenda Item 10

input of the CAC to inform development of the Grant Guidelines. The questions listed to the left are intended to guide discussion about program requirements, eligibility, application evaluation, and measures for success.



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# Future Agenda Items



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# Adjournment